

## NEW ROAD BOND ELECTION WILL BE HELD JUNE 10

Issue Will Replace Most of  
Bonds Voted In County  
January Last

Confusion among some of the voters in the county over the details of the coming road bond election, June 10, to vote on an issue of \$250,000 to complete the state highway through the county, resulted in a statement yesterday explaining the situation, by the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce.

The statement follows:

To the voters of Cameron County Texas:

This is to remind you that on the 10th day of June, 1922, you will have the opportunity to vote for the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$250,000, the proceeds of the sale of which are to be used in the completion of the concrete highway through our county. You will recall that a few months ago Cameron County voted on the issuance of \$400,000 of bonds as a county-wide issue, and \$250,000 of bonds on the district plan. The district plan, had it carried, would have caused certain sections of the county to be taxed for the road in excess of other sections, and on this account it did not meet the approval of a majority of the voters in the proposed district and therefore failed to carry.

The \$400,000 issue called under Chapter 1, Title 18, which was a county-wide issue, applying to all sections alike, carried. However, under Chapter 1, Title 18, according to present valuations in the county, it was only possible to issue at this time \$120,000 of the \$400,000 voted.

This \$120,000 has been issued and sold. In the neighborhood of \$200,000 of this money is now being used, or soon will be, in road construction in the vicinity of San Benito and Brownsville. In order to be able to issue the rest of the bonds voted at the recent election, it would be necessary to increase valuations in our county approximately forty-seven per cent, which our commissioners' court does not believe it is proper to do at this time. Since the bond election above referred to has developed that it is now possible under Chapter 2, Title 18, to call an election for the purpose of voting a sufficient amount of bonds which, together with state and federal aid, will complete our concrete highway through the county, and this can be done by simply increasing our present taxes not to exceed

## DISPUTED ISSUES IN ARMY PAY BILL FINALLY AGREED

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Final agreement on the disputed issues of the military service pay bill was reached tonight by the senate and house conferees. On the question of allowance for service in the national guard for the purpose of computing longevity pay, the agreement provides that seventy-five per cent of such service shall be credited since the enactment of the Dick law. Officers retiring hereafter will receive three-fourths of the pay they receive at the time of retirement as now provided.

## WILLACY COUNTY CASE TO TRIAL WEDNESDAY

The case of the State of Texas ex. rel. S. E. Mills, et al., versus S. Lamar Gill, county judge of Willacy county, and three members of the Willacy county commissioners' court, including W. A. Harding, T. St. Clair Thompson and T. C. Richards, has been set for trial in Brownsville on next Wednesday. District Judge W. B. Hopkins had a special commission to select the venire of fifty men from which to select the jury and delegated to Deputy Sheriff Joe Ballinger of San Benito the task of serving them.

Gill and others are defendants in an ouster suit, in which they are charged with misconduct in office. The case was tried in Willacy county recently and resulted in a jury disagreement, it being reported that seven voted for the defense.

## DEFEAT OF CLOTURE RULE THOUGHT SURE

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Although the question is still open, it is increasingly probable, after a conference of republican senators that a move to strike the cloture rule during consideration of the tariff bill will be unsuccessful. It is believed that the republican caucus on the republican side, leaders said, showed a sufficient number of republicans in opposition to defeat the cloture rule in connection with the tariff.

## WEATHER FORECAST

East and West Texas—Sunday, unsettled; thundershowers; cooler in the north; Monday, probably showers, partly cloudy.

## Two Hidalgo Co. Towns Stage Big Affairs For S. O. S.

Mission Arranges Children's  
Unique Entertainment;  
Mercedes Auctions

Mission and Mercedes Saturday afternoon and night both staged highly successful affairs for the benefit of the Save Our Seaport fund.

At Mission there was a children's parade, an unique affair in which about half a hundred children, mounted in children's vehicles of every type and description, paraded the business streets and afterwards participated in the big event on the lawn of the Mission Hotel.

Mercedes' event was different. It comprised the auction of almost everything from peanut butter to pigs, horses and cows, stoves and other items almost too numerous to mention. The event brought the S. O. S. fund about \$300, and proved the most successful of the campaign in Mercedes.

This affair was staged by the Farmers' Co-operative Society of Mercedes, and Martin Pugh was the auctioneer. Paul Emery and W. C. Deke formed the committee in charge of the event.

Mercedes has taken on a real S. O. S. atmosphere, stores all over the city displaying the 100 per cent posters.

The children's parade at Mission formed at 5 o'clock at the Methodist church, and paraded up the main street of the city to the Mission hotel. It was a grand success from every standpoint. Children came on velocipedes, on tricycles, in and behind wheelbarrows, in go-carts and other types of vehicles so dear to the hearts of childhood. One little fellow—he of the wheelbarrow—was all dressed up in farmers' togs and pushed along a wheelbarrow loaded with vegetables of all kinds, including squash, okra, radishes, cucumbers and other items, all of which were auctioned off.

Prizes were offered to the best outfits entered by the children, and the winners returned their prizes, which were sold for the benefit of the S. O. S. fund. The children who entered the parade had paid a small entry fee, which also went to the fund.

The reviewing stand was on the lawn of the Mission hotel. Many booths occupied the grounds here. The Business Men's Club had an auction booth. The Ladies' Perpetual Help sold dainties of various kinds. The Parent-Teacher association booth sold pie and milk. The Tuesday Club served ice cream and cake. The Girls' Reserve sold lemonade and candy. A brigade of charming misses sold flowers. The Hi-Y boys assisted in the general effort of the evening. The Mission High School band—it's one of the Valley's best—dispensed the music for the occasion, and throughout the evening.

Visitors from nearby towns arrived in Mission to take part in the festivities. This was the first general event in Mission, and the promoters of it were highly pleased with the results.

At McAllen last night there was a party at the Casa de Palmas which was attended by a select crowd. Dancing and dinner were the features of the evening.

## BELIEVE ACCEPTANCE BY GERMANS IS ONLY DISCUSSIONS BASIS

(By The Associated Press)  
PARIS, May 27.—Reports from Berlin that the German government had accepted the allied reparations proposition were qualified by fears in reparations circles that the proposition had been accepted as a basis for discussion, while the determination of the commission is that they constituted a last word.

## SURRENDERS AFTER SHOOTING

(By The Associated Press)  
TIMPSON, Texas, May 27.—M. L. Oden, candidate for commissioner of the Timpson precinct, is out on \$5000 bond tonight following a surrendering himself to officers today after the fatal shooting of S. A. Green, 72. The farms of Oden and Green adjoin.

## SOLDIER BONUS PROJECT WILL BE UP MONDAY

Senate Committee Is to Consider  
Both McCumber  
and Smoot Plans

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Soldier bonus legislation will be considered Monday by the senate finance committee. Chairman McCumber hopes the amended house measure will be agreed on and reported to the senate, but this tonight was problematical.

Democratic members of the committee expect to confer informally before going into committee session.

Two plans are proposed. The McCumber plan in the amended house bill, and the Smoot bill for paid up life insurance in lieu of all other options. Several democratic said they are inclined to look more favorably on the McCumber plan.

Both the senate republicans and democrats are split on the bonus problem, and it is indicated that neither side is ready at this time for a showdown in the senate.

## BLIZZARD ACQUITTED OF TREASON CHARGE

(By The Associated Press)  
CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 27.—William Blizard, charged with treason in connection with the armed march on miners on Logan county last fall, was found not guilty by a jury here tonight.

Blizard, 28, a former miner, is president of sub-district 2 and district 17 of the United Miners. He was indicted with fifty-two other men, mainly union officials, members of sympathizers of the union.

## Point Isabel, International Port, Will Be Gulf Coast's Greatest, Declares Burnett

To The Herald:

Item from Corpus Christi Caller, regarding recognition of Corpus Christi as location for a deep water port, speaks volumes for the splendid efforts of the men who presented Corpus Christi's case to the Board of Army Engineers.

The people of Corpus Christi and vicinity are to be congratulated upon the manner in which they have stood together and regardless of other differences, as a unit for commercial advancement.

I regret, however, that in her excitement Corpus Christi has seen fit to assume that she is to be "the future deep water port of the West Gulf Coast," for every thinking person knows that the great port will be at Point Isabel, international in character and in undisputed position to command the commerce of north and northeastern Mexico, as well as the richest portion of southern Texas. A harbor immune from damage by tropical storms, safely land locked and in closer proximity to deep water in the Gulf than any port on our southern shore lines.

It is true that Corpus Christi harbor will host a channel 25 miles long while our channel at Point Isabel will only be 12.000 feet in length, and that it will require more millions to construct the Corpus Christi harbor and more thousands to maintain it. But the fact remains that as a port is important in proportion to the volume of business which it develops, so will Point Isabel always outdistance Corpus Christi.

Yours Very Truly,  
W. T. Burnett.  
McAllen, Texas.  
May 26, 1922.

## FORREST HESTER IS OUT AS HIDALGO COLLECTOR

(Special to The Herald)  
MERCEDES, Tex., May 27.—Forrest Hester of Donna, tax collector of Hidalgo county, has resigned the office, and the board of county commissioners has appointed R. E. Lee of Mercedes to the place. Lee was a candidate for the office, and Hester had also announced, but it is now assumed here that he will withdraw. No reason was given here for the resignation. Lee will still have opposition, however, W. C. Campbell of Mission also being a candidate.

## SOUND STRAPPING WITH LEATHER BELT, JUSTICE METED OUT TO YOUTH

(By The Associated Press)  
TEMPLE, Tex., May 27.—Justice Williamson turned over the amount of punishment to be assessed against Eddie Blair, 16, to his father, who in turn turned the lad over on his knee in the justice court, applying twenty strokes of justice with a wide piece of leather belt, it is reported. Eddie was charged with attempting to pass a forged check. The court declared that the ends of justice were satisfied.

## 200 MISSING, MANY IN HOSPITAL---EXPLOSION

(By The Associated Press)  
VIENNA, May 27.—Two hundred persons are missing and between one hundred and two hundred are in hospitals as a result of the explosion of an ammunition factory at Blumau, near Vienna, Thursday, according to reliable reports. The official statement gives only nineteen dead, but access to the scene of the disaster is denied, and details are refused. Property damage is said to amount to more than a million dollars. High explosives were being manufactured by unskilled hands for the first time, it was said.

## CLOTURE QUESTION DEVELOPS GREAT DIVERSITY OF VIEWS

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—A wide difference of opinion among republican senators on the proposal for a cloture on pending tariff and other revenue appropriation bills developed at today's party conference. The disagreement was so broad, it was stated, that no progress was made and the conference adjourned until next Wednesday.

## JONES CONVICTED OF MURDER OF CHILD WIFE

(By The Associated Press)  
TYLER, Texas, May 27.—Will R. Jones was found guilty of murder by a jury in the district court and his punishment assessed at life imprisonment here today. He was convicted of killing 14-year old wife near Yantis, in Wood county, last December by beating her on the head with a hammer. She lived for three months afterwards.

(By The Associated Press)  
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## JIM FERGUSON'S WIFE CANDIDATE FOR U. S. SENATE

(By The Associated Press)  
TEMPLE, Texas, May 27.—Mrs. Marian Ferguson, wife of former Governor James E. Ferguson, confirmed a statement by her husband that she has made application for a place on the official ballot as a candidate for United States senator.

## "Big Tim" Tells Bondsman He Will Quit Council

(By The Associated Press)  
CHICAGO, Ill., May 27.—"Big Tim" Murphy and Fred Mader, labor leaders, charged with instigating bombing and murders in Chicago's "labor war," were released from the county jail after eleven days of confinement when Judge Miller granted their petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

Their bonds were set at \$75,000 each. Thomas Carey, a retired bricklayer, scheduling property valued at \$300,000 as a guarantee of their appearance when the trial starts. Carey, however, refused to put up the bonds until Murphy and Mader agreed to have nothing more to do with the Chicago Building Trades Council, which it has been alleged, they controlled in the fight against the union's accepting the Landis building trades award.

"Big Tim" Murphy promptly accepted the conditions, saying he intended to devote his work to the Gas Workers' Union, of which he is the president. Mader, president of the Building Trades Council, said he would agree to the terms but declined to say he would resign as president.

## WHITE SNAKE FOUND; EXPERTS ADMIT THEY CANNOT CLASSIFY IT

(By The Associated Press)  
MARSHALL, Texas, May 27.—The admitted impossibility by Texas A. and M. experts to classify a white snake captured near Hallville by Elbert Hunt, Jr., caused him to send the reptile to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington for identification, he declared here today.

## HARDINGS START ON SHORT SUMMER CRUISE

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—President and Mrs. Harding, in company with a party of friends left Washington on the Mayflower for the first week-end cruise of the summer in Chesapeake Bay. It was expected the Mayflower will remain off shore most of the time for two days, with a return to Washington early Tuesday.

## \$6.66 From Each of 7500 Valley Families Would Close Up S. O. S. Campaign

(By Jno. W. Bashaw, Herald Staff Correspondent)

If you believe that with reference to the S. O. S. campaign it is all over but the shouting your opinion is at variance with those who have all the facts at their finger tips. If you wish Dave O'Brien success in his task of opening the seaport you will have to give the facts in this article your gravest consideration for unless they are understood and acted upon the Valley will get no additional markets, it will get no competitive freight rates, it will get no seaport now or at any time within the next ten, possibly twenty years.

Two things are threatening the success of the S. O. S. campaign, a lack of understanding as to how much money each one should give and the popular opinion that this S. O. S. campaign can be strung out for an indefinite period of time. Upon the authority of Dave O'Brien it is said that unless the Valley understands the facts in regard to these two matters and acts upon them with all promptness the campaign will fail after having made a good start.

There are 7,500 families in the Valley who are possible contributors to the S. O. S. fund. The lists from all Valley communities including Brownsville will not show anywhere near that number. Incidentally this shows that many hundreds of Valley families which are possible contributors have not contributed. But we are driving at the average, the minimum and the maximum contribution figures.

It will be seen with very little figuring that \$6.66 is the least any family can contribute if it is to have the satisfaction of knowing that it has done its share off the work. It takes that much to raise \$50,000 from 7,500 families. This is no two-bit proposition. There are that many families in the Valley who can give \$6.66. Where there is a will there is a way. Take the case of Mr. Lyons of San Juan. He had no ready cash. He wanted to help. He studied about the matter. And he gave a ten of alfalfa hay, worth \$20.00. That is now!

Most of all it is imperative that we make haste. No man knows just when it will be too late to give the word for the dredges to come on. The government will not move a steamship until we have fulfilled our pledge to Dave O'Brien, have subscribed the last cent of the deficit for the completion of the railroad and the opening of the channel. And it will not send dredges into Southern waters during the equinox. The time limit is now!

## MORSE FREED ON PETITIONS BY OFFICIALS

Department of Justice Makes  
Public Record in the  
Noted Case

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Naming scores of members of the senate and house, both democrats and republicans, and other prominent in official life at the time as having petitioned the release in 1912 from the Atlanta penitentiary of Charles W. Morse, the Department of Justice today made public the record in the Morse case as "disclosed in the official files," indicating in the statement that "beyond any question Morse was released upon the report of reputable physicians, and United States attorneys showing him to be suffering from serious illness."

## FIRST COTTON IS SEEN ON S. BENITO FARM OF J. M'CAIN

Close on the heels of the discovery of rapidly maturing cotton buds on a farmer near La Feria came word from County Farm Agent Louis J. Asmeyer that the first cotton to open for the season of 1922 was on the farm of J. M. McCain, located near San Benito. Mr. Asmeyer said that only one or two stalks with bursted bolls were found, but that indications were that within a week or ten days there would be considerably more open. Mr. Asmeyer said he is accounted for the opening of the cotton in the fact that some of the plants on McCain's place were of last year's growth.

## REPARATIONS PROBLEM SETTLEMENT FAR OFF

(By The Associated Press)  
PARIS, May 27.—Hope of settlement of the reparations crisis without the necessity of action by the allied powers or France necessarily raised by the auspicious opening of the harbor's conference, diminished upon receipt of news from Berlin indicating that although the German crisis has been averted, agreement is not complete for an understanding between Finance Minister Hoesne and the reparations commission. The impression prevails that the Germans will do only what is necessary and prolong the negotiating.

## Worth Looking For

Many people now watch for the advertisements in a newspaper as eagerly as for the news. That is because modern advertising is news, and no one can afford to overlook it.